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THE WORLD IN PARAGRAPHS

A BRIEF RECORD OF PASSING EVENTS IN THIS AND FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

IN LATE DISPATCHES

DOINGS AND HAPPENINGS THAT MARK THE PROGRESS OF THE AGE.

ABOUT THE WAR

Winter delays big operations in France, Belgium and Russia. Russians capture Kashan, one of the principal cities of Persia. British Cabinet decides on modified conscription for unmarried men. Germans release summit of Hartmann-Wellerkopf on western front, capturing 1,500 prisoners. Kaiser loses 8,000 men in an attempt to break through British lines in Belgium and France. England becomes reconciled to conscription, which cabinet is understood to have decided upon. It is stated that German chancellor will frame offer of peace which will be communicated to allies. Japanese liner Yawaka Maru, with one American on board, sunk without warning by submarine. No lives were lost. Russians, advancing in lines fifteen or sixteen deep, along Dniester river, in Bessarabia, are repulsed by Austrians. British clergy declare nation will be in poverty at end of war. London press demands Lloyd-George be made premier. A dispatch to Lloyds from Bergen says the Norwegian fjord steamer Homelen has been sunk at Svanoeen, north of Bergen, with the loss of one man drowned. Replying to a written question by P. A. Molten, member of the House of Commons, Premier Asquith gave the total British casualties up to Dec. 9, as 528,227.

Dispatches from Geneva state that Austria may reject second American note in Ancona case and that any break in diplomatic relations also will involve Germany. The sinking of a French liner by a Teutonic submarine has brought the relations of the United States and Austria to the breaking-point. No warning was given the vessel and eighty persons lost their lives. Four other ships of the allies have been sent to the bottom.

WESTERN

Gen. Grenville M. Dodge is reported critically ill at his home at Council Bluffs, Ia. He is 84 years old. Fire at Keokuk, Ia., destroyed the elevator of the Gate City Seed Company with a loss of \$30,000. Three men were dead as the result of a head-on collision between two freight trains on the Santa Fe railroad near Mullen, Tex. At Bayonne, N. J., the stork paid a Christmas visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick G. Van Horn and left a nine-pound boy, who had two teeth. Three thousand two hundred Chicago school teachers went on the board of education payroll at salary increases of \$7.20 per annum, effective Jan. 1. William Hale Thompson, mayor of Chicago, requested the secretary of state of Nebraska to withdraw his name from the presidential primary ballot in Nebraska. George W. Glover, only son of the late Christian Science leader, Mary Baker Glover Eddy, died at his home at Lead, S. D., of peritonitis, aged 76, after a short illness. The remaining 482 saloons and sixteen breweries in Iowa will close Dec. 31 because of the repeal of the local law by the Legislature a year ago and Iowa will be legally dry. There were 671 suicides in Cook county, Illinois, in 1915, according to the annual report of Coroner Peter M. Hoffman. Two hundred and forty-two ended their lives by inhaling illuminating gas, 144 by shooting and 399 by poison.

WASHINGTON

The death rate in the United States among babies of mothers who work outside their homes far exceeds the infant mortality where the mother is not so employed. Secretary Daniels said that when the increased building program for the navy ultimately made necessary a second naval academy, the logical place for the new institution would be on the Pacific coast. Every school building in the United States was pictured as a potential town hall at the session of the American Civic Association at which Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of President Wilson, presided. Secretary Lansing formally denied published statements that the real purpose of the visit to Europe of Col. E. M. House was to settle differences between Ambassador Page at London and Ambassador Gerard and Penfield at Berlin and Vienna. Nearly 7,000 bills were introduced in Congress during the holiday season.

FOREIGN

King Peter of Serbia is reported penniless and has fled Italy. Winston Spencer Churchill returned to France to rejoin his regiment. Gen. Victoriano Huerta, former provisional president of Mexico, is seriously ill. "The Persian cabinet has fallen," says the Tehran correspondent of Reuters Telegram Company. Eighteen German soldiers on furlough were killed and forty-seven wounded when a train jumped the track at Bentzen station near Berlin.

Count Tizsa, the Hungarian premier, contemplates making the cultivation of wheat a state monopoly, according to the London Post's Budapest correspondent. The Overseas News Agency says that the Vienna Reichpost reports that during the whole war Serbia received each month 30,000,000 to 35,000,000 francs in gold from France. Upon request by General Gallieni, the French war minister, the French Senate passed a bill approving the action of the Chamber of Deputies in giving the war minister the 1917 class of recruits for Jan. 5.

Sir George Foster, minister of trade and commerce, intimated in an address at the People's Forum at Ottawa that a Canadian domestic loan of \$300,000,000 might soon follow the recent issue of \$100,000,000.

A committee, of which Paul Painleve, minister of public instruction, is the chairman, has been organized for the object of presenting the city of Paris with a monument in the form of a bas relief in memory of Miss Edith Cavell.

Gen. Francisco Villa, with only a few of his old-time bandit band with him, is back where he started in the days of Diaz. He is again the outlaw with a price on his head and, according to reports received at El Paso, Tex., has reverted to his old manner of living.

At least 150,000 Albanians have been starved to death in the last year and the same fate awaits an equal number during the coming year, according to W. W. Howard, owner of the American relief schooner Albania. Howard has just reached Rome after distributing 200 tons of flour to the starving Albanians.

SPORTS NEWS

Jan. 18 has been definitely set as the date of the proposed Mike Gibbons-Young Ahearn fight at St. Paul. Jan. 15 has been set as the date for the beginning of the annual twenty-four-hour tournament on the Denver allays.

Johnny Griffiths, of Akron, by a slight margin, outpointed Jack Britton of Chicago in twelve fast rounds at Akron, Ohio.

Thomas Shevlin, millionaire lumberman and famous Yale football star, died of pneumonia at Minneapolis, Minn., after an illness of but six days.

Ted Lewis of England moved into the championship row as a result of the vicious beating he dealt Willie Ritchie in their ten-round welterweight scrap in New York.

At Sydney, N. S. W., Les Darcy, the middleweight champion of Australia, easily defeated Eddie McGorty, an American middleweight, in the eighth round of their match.

In one of the best slugging matches that has been staged in Denver in months, Gilbert Gallant of Boston was given the decision over Stanley Yoakum at the end of their fifteen-round bout before the National Athletic club.

Unless the plans of Capt. Will C. Bryan, athletic instructor at the State School of Mines at Golden, go astray Colorado will be represented in the national championship track and field meet of the A. A. U. in Newark, N. J., next summer.

GENERAL

The Pittsburgh, Pa., Bank for Savings was closed by order of the Pennsylvania banking department.

George Franklin Harding, aged 87 years, one of the promoters of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, died at his home in Chicago. His estate is estimated at \$5,000,000.

Mrs. Laura S. Rockefeller, wife of John D. Rockefeller, who died last March, left an estate valued at \$1,190,471, according to the appraisal filed in the New York Surrogate Court.

The steamer Corwin, Capt. J. R. Healey, just arrived at Seattle, Wash. from Nome, Alaska, brought 1,355 walrus, by far the biggest catch on record, according to Captain Healey and Oscar Annvik, the chief hunter.

At Milford, Conn., Mrs. Edward Krause threw her two small sons into the Milford reservoir and jumped in after them. The boys, Sidney, 6, and Edward, 5, were drowned, but the mother was saved by two men who happened to be passing.

Ships along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts were in grave peril, several vessels were reported missing, scores reported dead, much property damaged, wire communication partially crippled and railroad service delayed, as one of the most severe storms of recent years swept through the East Wednesday.

Mrs. Ida von Claussen, who first came into prominence some years ago by threatening to bring suit against Theodore Roosevelt, then President, was married in New York to Dr. Frank von Claussen of Philadelphia.

NEW MEXICO STATE NEWS

COMING EVENTS

Jan. 17-27.—Convention of Alaska and Idaho Americans at Albuquerque. Meeting Pan-American and Southwestern Stockmen's Association at Albuquerque.

Raton stays in the Colorado basketball league.

Several cases of diphtheria are reported at Hagerman.

The home of L. L. Cahill at Spring was destroyed by fire.

Fire escapes have been placed on Tularosa school buildings.

Beans continue to bring high prices at points in the Estancia valley.

Blackleg has appeared in Eddy county and several cattle have died.

A total of 1,219,000 sheep were shipped out of the state in 1915.

An auto express has been established between Portales and Clovis.

John Mulder, a former resident of Gallup, killed himself in Los Angeles.

A trading stamp company has been authorized to do business in New Mexico.

An election will be held Jan. 31 to determine whether Clovis shall be "wet" or "dry."

Through private aid, the road north from Cuervo for many miles has been put in excellent condition.

The governor named Judge N. B. Laughlin of Santa Fe and Benito Valdez of Black Lake notaries.

Walter L. Kegel, for some time an assistant to the traveling auditor, has been elected city clerk of Raton.

The entire output of the Portales creamery has been contracted to a wholesale home at a satisfactory figure.

Prisoners at the state penitentiary got a real turkey dinner Christmas, with cranberry sauce, dressing, mince pie and cigars.

The Llano Irrigation Company filed incorporation papers with the state corporation commission. Its office is at Questa, Taos county.

Charley Wyatt, who lives about eight miles east of Boaz, was bitten by a rattlesnake while reaching in a hole after a rabbit.

Nearly 1,000 applications have been made since Dec. 1 for 1916 automobile licenses. The past year 5,000 licenses were issued.

William Hoehne, 84, for fifty years a resident of New Mexico, died at the home of his adopted son, Blas Hoehne, at Santa Rosa.

The work of putting in the inverted siphon for the south canal of the Carlsbad reclamation project at Dark Cañon is progressing rapidly.

The forest service has completed the survey of a road across the forest in the Guadalupe mountains by way of Queen in western Eddy county.

Dr. G. W. Bennett of Fort Sumner shot himself through the head. Despondency was said to be the cause. He leaves a widow and three children.

The directors of the Royal John mining properties met in Deming reviewing the work done to date, which has involved the expenditure of about \$22,000.

Hugh Swift, convicted of embezzlement in connection with the closing of the First State Bank at Tucuman, will complete his one year sentence in the penitentiary Jan. 7.

The big concentrator of the Burro Mountain Copper Company at Tyrone, Grant county, will be ready for operation April 1, next, according to Corporation Commissioner Hugh Williams.

John Urton, an inmate of the county jail at Clayton, charged with adultery, made his getaway.

Secretary of State Antonio Lucero went to Washington in response to the invitation recently tendered him to act as an official interpreter at the Second Pan-American Scientific Congress from Dec. 27 to Jan. 7.

A perpetual injunction against the drilling of a well on state land contracted to be leased to Adam Zimmerman has been returned by Judge G. A. Richardson at Roswell against Albert Love and Emmett George.

Mrs. Edith Bolling Galt, now Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the President, is plaintiff in a suit filed at Albuquerque against W. H. Andrews, former delegate in Congress, to recover \$50 on an alleged promissory note.

Between Sept. 2 and Nov. 10 the depositors of the state banks of New Mexico increased to the number of 1,358, raising the total number of depositors from 26,122 to 27,480, and the total deposits in the banks increased from \$4,994,924.25 to \$7,652,643.55, or \$2,657,719.30.

The famous Silver Cell group of mining claims, near Pinos Altos, owned and operated by the Silver Cell Mining and Smelting Company, bid fair to attain the proportion of one of the most active mining camps in the Southwest.

The fish fry have been distributed in New Mexico as follows: Raton, 1,750 for the Sugarite river; Las Vegas, 2,500 for the Gallinas river; Santa Fe, 3,750 for Santa Fe river; 3,750 for the Nambé river; Bernalillo, 2,500 for the Jemez river; 3,750 for Las Huertas.

LAND RELEASED BY LANE

NEW MEXICO LAND WORTH FROM \$3 TO \$5 PER ACRE.

United States Will Open 82,300 Acres in Socorro County to Settlement After Feb. 11.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Albuquerque.—According to word received in Denver by Matthew D. McEnery, chief of the field division of the United States land office, 82,300 acres of land have been released in Socorro county, New Mexico. Following is the telegram received in the Denver land office:

"Secretary Franklin K. Lane of the Interior Department, upon recommendation of Secretary Houston of the Agricultural Department, has released approximately 82,300 acres in Socorro county, New Mexico, from a temporary withdrawal for forestry purposes. The lands are located in the Las Cruces land district, New Mexico, and are generally rolling grass land, adapted to stock raising. The land will be subject to settlement at 9 o'clock a. m., Feb. 11, until and including March 9, 1916, and thereafter to disposition under any public land law applicable thereto.

According to Mr. McEnery the land just released is valued at from \$3 to \$5 an acre.

Over \$165,000 for Schools of State.

Santa Fe.—The huge sum of \$165,299.11 apportioned by State Superintendent Alvan N. White of the Department of Education among the several counties is nearly double the largest sum heretofore distributed. This sum is apportioned to 110,939 pupils of school age. The apportionment gives \$1.49 to each person of school age enumerated. A study of the following figures shows the enumeration in each county and the amount apportioned: Bernalillo county, 10,162, \$15,141.38; Chavez, 5,805, \$8,646.47; Curry, 2,627, \$3,941.23; Colfax, 5,142, \$7,661.58; Dona Ana, 5,797, \$8,637.53; Eddy, 3,543, \$5,314.97; Grant, 6,351, \$9,462.99; Guadalupe, 2,850, \$4,275.00; Lincoln, 2,651, \$3,976.50; Luna, 2,436, \$3,653.64; McKinley, 1,737, \$2,595.13; Mora, 4,516, \$6,774.84; Otero, 3,743, \$5,595.58; Quay, 3,818, \$5,727.22; Rio Arriba, 5,506, \$8,259.94; Roosevelt, 2,571, \$3,856.55; Santa Fe, 2,998, \$4,497.02; San Juan, 2,998, \$4,497.02; Sandoval, 1,912, \$2,868.88; Santa Fe, 6,719, \$10,078.31; Sierra, 1,516, \$2,274.84; Socorro, 5,102, \$7,653.88; Taos, 4,323, \$6,484.27; Torrance, 2,439, \$3,658.11; Union, 5,275, \$7,912.72; Valencia, 3,500, \$5,250.00.

Claims 12,069,438 Acres From U. S.

Santa Fe.—Of the total of 12,069,438 acres of land granted to New Mexico by the United States government the state has acquired title to 7,816,637.87 acres, the lands not yet selected or approved by the Department of the Interior amounting to 4,252,800 acres. This statement appears in the annual report of the state land commissioner to the governor. Of the total, over 6,500,000 acres are now sold or leased and the gross receipts of the past fiscal year were \$750,000. Half a million is paid into the state treasury, the schools and state institutions getting \$128,000. The report shows a balance on hand at the end of the fiscal year of \$710,621.

Five New Traveling Libraries.

Santa Fe.—Five new traveling libraries have been started on their rounds by the state department of education. Santa Fe county gets two of them.

Corporation Admitted.

Santa Fe.—The El Centro Mining and Milling Company of Arizona was admitted to do business in New Mexico by the state corporation commission.

Lightning With Snow at Albuquerque.

Albuquerque, N. M.—Albuquerque and the vicinity were visited by the heaviest snow of the season, accompanied by an unusual display of lightning. The precipitation equaled three-quarters of an inch of rain, the local weather observer reported. A high wind prevailed for some hours.

Man Killed as He Leaves Church.

Roswell.—Manuel Rubio was shot and almost instantly killed here just as he emerged from church after attending mass. Lopez Gonzalez was arrested three hours later, charged with the killing, and is held without bail. The prisoner is but seventeen years old.

Chaves Claims Most Shorthorns.

Roswell.—Students of the livestock situation declare that Chaves county, which has been importing and breeding thoroughbred stock for some years, now has the most shorthorn thoroughbreds of any county in the United States west of Ohio.

Bonds for School Improvements.

Santa Fe.—The State Department of Education was informed that Mesilla Park, Dona Ana county, has voted a \$10,000 bond issue for an addition to the public school building at Mesilla Park, and to erect a new school building along modern lines at Brazito.

Notaries Named.

Santa Fe.—The governor has named the following notaries: Emmett Patton of Roswell; D. Sherry of Alamogordo.

AUSTRIA GRANTS ANCONA DEMAND

COMMANDER OF SUBMARINE IS PUNISHED FOR FAILURE TO NOTICE PANIC.

VESSEL BADLY HANDLED

CONCERNING OF PRINCIPAL DEMAND REGARDED AS DISAVOWAL OF ACT.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Danger of a break in diplomatic relations between the United States and Austria-Hungary over the sinking of the liner Ancona probably has been cleared away, if the official text of Austria's reply to the second American note conforms to press dispatches from London saying the communication announces that the submarine commander who torpedoed the steamer has been punished.

The cabled press translation of the note reached Washington last night, too late to be seen by high officials of the government, and a dispatch received earlier in the day from Ambassador Penfield merely said the reply had been handed him and gave no intimation as to its nature.

Punishment of the submarine commander for failure to take into account the panic prevailing aboard the Ancona before torpedoing the vessel apparently meets the principal American demand. In effect it might be regarded as a disavowal of the act and assurances that an incident for which an officer of the navy was punished would not happen again might be taken for granted.

The remaining demand, that reparation by payment of indemnity be made for the injury or loss of life by Americans would be a subject for diplomatic adjustment once the other points at issue were disposed of.

The official text of the note from Vienna is expected at the State Department today.

The unofficial text of the note as forwarded by Reuters Telegram Company by way of Amsterdam, says:

"In reply to the second American Ancona note the Austro-Hungarian government fully agrees with the Washington Cabinet that the sacred laws of humanity should be taken into account also in war and emphasizes that it, in the course of this war, has given numerous proofs of the most humane feelings. The Austro-Hungarian government, too, can positively concur in the principle that enemy private vessels—so far as they do not fly or offer resistance—shall not be destroyed before the persons aboard are secured. The assurance that the United States government attaches value to the maintenance of the existing good relations between Austria-Hungary and the United States is warmly reciprocated by the Austro-Hungarian government, which now, as heretofore, is anxious to render these relations still more cordial."

Cook Loses in Supreme Court.

Denver.—Oscar Cook, who killed Andrew J. Loyd and Policeman William J. McPherson in Valverde, has only one more chance for life. The United States Supreme Court for the second time refused him a super-seas. Unless the governor of Colorado commutes his sentence to life imprisonment, Cook will be hanged the week of Feb. 20.

DIE ON ROAD TO JUAREZ.

Barred From Texas as Troops Cross Women Drop Beside Railroad. El Paso, Tex.—Barred by the War Department from entering Juarez via Texas, 1,200 Carranza troops from Sonora, their women, children, dead, sick and dying, were unloaded at Pelea, N. M. Their arms locked in boxes, those who were able started, loaded with packs, toward Juarez, eight miles by trail. A second detachment with 2,000 cavalry was expected.

Fifty men, women and children, some delirious with fever, were left huddled in the sandhills by the side of the track at Pelea as the more vigorous moved off.

During the trip from Naco a troop had died of his wounds and a girl had succumbed to fever.

When after vain appeals had been made to permit the women, children and sick to enter Texas in bond and cross the international bridge in the cars, the bodies were hauled off the trains and carried in blankets up the Stark hill to where the boundary monument indicated the international line.

Dickens Freed on \$37,500 Bail.

Boulder.—Renzl C. Dickens, accused of the assassination of his father, W. H. Dickens, pioneer banker of Longmont, was released on bond for \$37,500, furnished by members of the Dickens family at Longmont.

Jury Declares Schmidt Is Slayer.

Los Angeles.—Ma-hew A. Schmidt was convicted of first-degree murder as the accomplice of James B. McNamara in the blowing up of the Los Angeles Times building here five years ago.

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